



CROSS CREEK

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker!*
for He is our God!

Psalm 95:6-7a

JULY 30, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting

Call to Worship

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Invocation

* Hymn Supplement pg. 59

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

Call to Confession

Romans 5:12

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:8

But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

* Hymn # 455

“And Can It Be That I Should Gain”

* Old & New Testament Scripture Reading:

Law: *Genesis 19:1-22* (Sodom & Gomorrah)

Prophets: *Jeremiah 1:4-19* (Prophetic Exposure)

Gospels: *Matthew 11:20-24* (Worse than for Sodom)

Epistles: *Titus 1:5-16* (Hospitable AND Inhospitable Elders)

* **Pastor:** This is the Word of our God.

* **Congregation:** The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever.

Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 31 (Q & A 83-85)

Q. What are the keys of the kingdom?

A. The preaching of the holy gospel and Christian discipline toward repentance. Both of them open the kingdom of heaven to believers and close it to unbelievers.

Q. How does preaching the holy gospel open and close the kingdom of heaven?

A. The kingdom of heaven is opened by proclaiming and publicly declaring to all believers, each and every one, that, as often as they accept the gospel promise in true faith, God, because of Christ's merit, truly forgives all their sins. The kingdom of heaven is closed, however, by proclaiming and publicly declaring to unbelievers and hypocrites that, as long as they do not repent, the wrath of God

* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*

and eternal condemnation rest on them. God’s judgment, both in this life and in the life to come, is based on this gospel testimony.

Q. How is the kingdom of heaven closed and opened by Christian discipline?

A. According to the command of Christ: Those who, though called Christians, profess unchristian teachings or live unchristian lives, and who after repeated personal and loving admonitions, refuse to abandon their errors and evil ways, and who after being reported to the church, that is, to those ordained by the church for that purpose, fail to respond also to the church’s admonitions— such persons the church excludes from the Christian community by withholding the sacraments from them, and God also excludes them from the kingdom of Christ. Such persons, when promising and demonstrating genuine reform, are received again as members of Christ and of his church.

Pastoral Prayer

*** Hymn Supplement pg. 81** **“Psalm 130 (From the Depths of Woe)”**

Tithes and Offerings

Special Music (Joseph W.) **“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

*** Hymn # 735** **“Gloria Patri”**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end, amen, amen.

*** Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*** Prayer for Illumination**

Sermon Series: Judges

*** Sermon Text** *Judges 19*

*** Pastor:** Thus far the reading of God’s holy Word. And may God add His blessing to the reading of His Word.

*** Congregation:** Thanks be to God!

Sermon Title: “When Sodom Comes to Church” **Pastor Michael Mock**

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Prayer for Transformation

Lord’s Supper: The Death that Exposes and Houses Us

* Eucharistic Hymn # 499

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

* Benediction

* Departing Hymn # 731

“Doxology”

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sermon Outline:

Sermon Text: *Judges 19* “When Sodom Comes to Church”

God’s people are called to expose the horrors of sin and the hospitality of our Father in heaven.

1. Unique Hospitality (vv. 1-21)

- a. Father’s Hospitality (vv. 4-9)
- b. Stranger’s Hospitality (vv. 16-21)
- c. **Application:** True hospitality welcomes godliness and keeps guests from sin.

2. Unique Horror (vv. 22-30)

- a. Gibeah vs. Gomorrah
- b. Levite vs. LORD
- c. Unique Depravity
- d. **Application:** Without the grace of God, the Church is the world.

3. Urgent Exposure (v. 30)

- a. Consider

- b. Take Counsel
- c. Speak up
- d. **Application:** The Church exposes sin and calls everyone to the remedy of sin.

7-30-23	Nursery Schedule		8-6-23
Sunday School	Carling & Hannah	Sunday School	Carling & Alethea
Worship	Keith, Joan & Jodie	Worship	Carling & Molly C

Today & Weekly

Today

Pre-Service Prayer Gathering: 9:00-9:15am in the Library

ABF: 9:30am – “The Law of God”

Sunday School: 9:30am

Morning Worship: 10:45am

Evening Worship Service: 6:30pm

Weekly

Men’s Bible Study: On break

Women’s Summer Bible Study: Tuesdays, 6:30pm at the home of Kathy V (no childcare)

Thursdays, 10am at Cross Creek PCA (with childcare)

Senior Women’s Fellowship: Wednesdays, 10am, hosted by Linda T

Choir Practice: Wednesdays, 7:00pm (childcare provided)

Evening Worship: 1st and 3rd Sunday evenings (and 5th when applicable), 6:30pm. On the first Sunday monthly at 5:30pm, a Fellowship Meal will precede the service and on the 3rd Sunday, the Lord’s Supper will be served.

Cross Creek Open Bible Fellowship: 2nd & 4th Sundays, 5-7pm. Please meet at the Adams’ home to share a meal, Bible Study and fellowship.

Congregational Meeting Rescheduled

The Congregational Meeting has been rescheduled to Aug. 13, 2023 after the service. The purpose of the meeting is to vote whether to dissolve the pastoral relation with Pastor Mock.

Regarding announcement submissions: Please submit any information you wish to have printed in the worship folder No Later Than noon on Wednesdays.

Upcoming Events

Summer Play Dates will be held every Monday of August @10am. Families are invited to come for a time of play and fellowship. Yard games will be provided. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact Eleonore Surles.

A **Church-Wide BBQ** will be held on Saturday August 19th @ 5pm. Join us for food and fellowship. Yard games, burgers, hotdogs and drinks will be provided. Please sign up for a side dish at the Women's Ministry bulletin board in the nursery hallway or by visiting mealtrain.com/wd80o1. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lynne Johnson.

It is helpful to sign up for this BBQ, so that we can purchase the proper number of burgers and hot dogs. We will need to know how many adults, how many teens and how many children will be attending.

New CCPC Website

Our new and improved website is up and running: crosscreekpca.org. Go ahead and take a look and cruise around on it.

www.crosscreekpca.org

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WE SUPPORT

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HOME MISSIONS: Harvest USA; REV. & Mrs. William (Suzanne) Scott: Atlanta

LOCAL MINISTRIES: AGAPE Pregnancy Center and Operation Inasmuch